TEASIN'.

gior, vines to climb, Then I know the little sunfish are a-bitin'

An' I'm teasin' to go fishin' an' go bare-toot; bet I am!

Oh. I'm achin' to go barefoot where the

sluggish river flows, An I want to go a-wadin' in the flats, be-

An' I wanter feel the mud a squashin' up

An'-1 wanter pick de lilies leanin' down-

An' I wanter tie my fishiine to my toe an' go to sleep

Where the path winds round an' downward an' the cattle come to drink, An' the river's smooth as glass an' brown

Oh, the lily pads are layin' where I wanter

An I'm tired pulling ragweeds an' work-

An' I wanter go a-fishin' an' go barefoot, an' I wish

meadow smell is strong!

stockin's in the fall

MR. LIVINGSTON'S

I was far out in the country where the

I'm a-feelin', swear to goodness, like I'm wearin' clubs for feet!

An' I'm longin' for the springtime when I'll hear the bluebird call,

An' my feet'll feel the ticklin' of the fresh

BY MELVILLE HARCLAY.

Mr. Stuyvesant Livingston did not

want an automobile, but his wife did,

and, much to Mr. Livingston's dis-

the fact that one morning at break-

you, sir," said the servant.

nounced military bearing.

"Mr. Livingston, I believe," began

the visitor brusquely. "I'm Col. Bag-

ley, of the Forty-second infantry.

owe an apology for calling at such an

unusual hour, but I just heard that you

are looking for an automobile, and as

I must leave for San Francisco to-

Of course it is impossible for me to

take my automobile with me to the

Philippines, and so I feel obliged to

Rye to spend the night with my

you wished to buy one. Accordingly,

country to catch you before you

should leave for town. Won't you

step out just a moment and look at

it? It's the latest thing, brought over

from Paris by Fournier only a few

whispered: "It's all a mistake,

colonel-all a mistake! You've been

misled! I don't want an automobile!

I would as soon mount a man-eating

tiger! Take the thing away, my dear

"Yes, yes," interrupted Livingston,

God's sake, sir, don't let my wife set

"Stuyvessant," she called, then ap-

An introduction could not be

The visitor left with a very sub-

drove to the train in his drag he was

filled with a lively anticipation of

moodily, he saw three of his stable-

men, under the direction of Mrs. Liv-

ingston, making praiseworthy efforts

to induce the "four-wheeled horror"

"That is only the beginning!" he

groaned. "What in heaven's name

to enter the coach-house.

will be the end?"

avoided, and-well, that is how Mr.

eyes on the four-wheeled horror!"

peared in the reception-room.

automobile.

"But I was informed-"

I'm willing to sacrifice-'

sir: take it away!"

An' I'm tired totin' water fer the flowers,

low the dam,

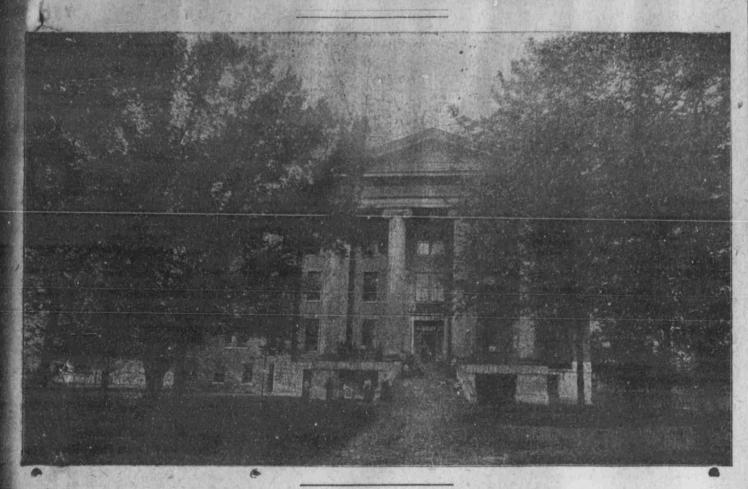
between my toes,

ard from the brink,

in' all day long,

by the dam; Then I hate the totin' water an' I'm frettin'

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Mr. Livingston came home from town early that day, and was conmination of his wife to take a trial lage before we are suspected."

spin immediately.

one, so there can't be much art in it. Which way shall we go?"

When the cannas are unfoldin' their broad heavy leaves an' green, n' maw keeps me totin' water fer the heldal wreaths an' things, the ragweeds are a-growin' fastest choice in the matter, anyway." An' the young bare-naked mockin' birds are wishin' they had wings, An' I'm drivin' nails an' twinin' things ter

He was about right in that final | A little river passes under the counhalf-way around, and attempted a heap, however, intervened in the nick of time, or the spin would have

ended abruptly in the ditch. more swiftly in a manner that was exhilarating even to the disgruntled and it must be confessed somewhat frightened Livingston.

"Perfectly splendid, isn't it?" ejaculated the excited Mrs. Livingston. "It is simply delightful!"

They had been bowling along on the road overlooking the Hudson at the rate of 20 miles or more an hour, and presently swept past the gloomy FIRST AUTOMOBILE. walls of the state prison in the pretty village of Ossining. As they went by several officers were rushing out, and, scattering in different directions, hastened away. The atmosphere was surcharged with excitement, and Livingston instinctively gust, Mrs. Livingston's wants became divined the cause. noised abroad, which accounted for

"There's been a break, I guess," he said. "A prisoner has escaped."

fast he was interrupted by his serv-By that time the prison was out of sight several miles behind them. "A "A gentleman, Col. Bagley, to see convict escaped!" exclaimed Mrs. Livingston. "How perfectly delight-"Certainly," said Mr. Livingston, ful! I wonder which way he went? and he crossed the hall, entered the I do hope," she added, sympatheticreception-room, and confronted a ally, "that the poor fellow has got a tall, well-dressed stranger of progood start."

She had stoppd the auto, and was standing up to obtain a better view of the country. At that moment a puff of wind playfully deprived Mr. Livingston of his straw hat. He was about to leave his seat in pursuit, when he found that his wife had already sportively anticipated him. The chase was longer than she looked for, however. Again and again she almost attained her object only to dispose of it. Yesterday I came up to be cheated by another gust of wind; but at last she was successful, and turned toward the automobile again. friends the Van Martyns. Telling She gave only one look, then dropped them that I wished to sell my mathe elusive headgear again, standing chine they recalled having heard that in the middle of the road transfixed with astonishment. I have taken an early drive across the

This is what she saw: A burly gi ant in the striped dress of a convichad usurped her place, and the automobile under the control of a master hand was flying down the road with the speed of an express train.

weeks ago. It's perfectly new and "Stop, Stuvvesant! Stop!" shrieked Mrs. Livingston. "Do you hear me? Mr. Livingston stepped forward, Stop!" seized his visitor by the arm, and

If Mr. Livingston heard, which is doubtful, he was powerless to obey. As for the convict, he paid no attention. Mrs. Livingston's wish had been fufilled in rather startling fashion-the "poor fellow" had certainly got a "good start!"

"Your coat and waistcoat! I want 'em! Quick!"

excitedly, "I know! I know! But The terrified Mr. Livingston had it's a joke-an absurd joke! Take the already felt the iron grip of his unthing away-and," he added, "come to see me at my office this afternoon, welcome companion, and he surrendered the articles without a murmur. and I may be able to put you in the "Good!" exclaimed the fugitive, as way of finding a customer. But for

he wriggled into a coat many sizes too pants! Any use in offering you my But Mrs. Livingston had heard. clothes in exchange? What? You Over they go!"

Suiting the action to the word, the Livingston became possessed of an fellow threw his disearded garments into the bushes, and then gave close atttention to increasing the speed of stantial check, and as Livingston | the machine.

"This road leads straight to Brookside, doesn't it?" he demanded, after a few minutes' silence. trouble to come. As he looked back

"Yes."

"Any police in the village?" "Several, I believe," said Living-

"H'm!" muttered the fellow, "that's awkward! They'll be on the lookout. though they'll hardly expect two of us, and in an automobile. I'm glad I | brought before any of his majesty's didn't throw you overboard, as I thought of doing a minute ago. With fronted with the enthusiastic deter- ordinary luck we shall rush the vil-

The fugitive, however, had reck- other day. "Of course," remarked Mrs. Liv- oned without Mrs. Livingston. The ingston, as her husband stepped into lady had fortunately encountered a the auto with the air of a condemned | couple of mounted police. To them man, "I don't thoroughly understand | she told her story, and with the infor-

ficers continued his pursuit, while the other tore back to the prison and dis-"How should I know?" growled oatched a message to Brookside, tell-Livingston. "I don't care, and I ing the authorities there to be on the don't suppose we shall have much lookout for an escaped prisoner in an automobile with another man.

declaration. At the outset the ma- ty road just before the village of chine was safely steered down the Brookside is reached. A bridge spans driveway and into the broad highway; the stream, and in the center of this then it suddenly stopped, but almost structure a barricade consisting of a instantly started up again, swung | convenient fallen tree and some old lumber was hasity thrown across the cross-country run. A friendly stone- street. Several constables and an eager crowd of villagers awaited the; coming of Mr. Livingston and his companion. Down the steep grade This was the first of many trifling | leading to the bridge came the automishaps, and even Mrs. Livingston | mobile at a terrific pace. As it turned was beginning to lose heart, when the | a sharp corner its occupants caught a; machine seemed all at once to settle first sight of the barricade and of down into good behavior. It headed the crowd prepared to receive them. straight down the road as sedately as The constables shouted to them to though a cart horse was drawing it, stop. It was not yet too late to avert and then, as the power was let on a the disaster that confronted them, little more, it sped along more and and for one brief moment the driver appeared to hestitate. It was only for a moment, however. Then, snapping his teeth together, he crowded; on full speed and headed straight for the barricade.

There was a resounding crash at the impact. The automobile nearly surmounted the pile, but, tangled in the debris, swung half around, and striking the low parapet of the bridge, brought up abruptly. As though hurled from a catapult, Mr. Livingston and his desperate companion were thrown upward, and went flying through the air into the

When a few moments later Mr. Livingston came to himself, a dripping constable who had gallantly rescued him was bending over him trying to restore animation, while a crowd of curious spectators loked on wondering. As the half-drowned man opened his eyes he was moved to astonishment, despite his condition, to see his rescuer produce a pair of handcuffs with the remark: "And now, as you're all right again, you'll have to come along with me."

"Why? What am I charged with?" feebly demanded Mr. Livingston.

"Firstly, with assisting a convict to

"What!" gasped Mr. Livingston. "And secondly," calmly proceeded the officer, "with stealing an automobile-the property of Col. Bagley."

"Oh. go on!" ejaculated Mr. Livigsion, resignedly. "Make it wifedesertion as well!" The officer severely remarked that

if his prisoner had any more crimes on his conscience he had better wait until he got into the police court before confessing, or at least until he could consult his lawyer.

At this point of the proceedings the pursuing officer from the prison arrived on the scene and explained the situation. The local constable promptly released Mr. Livingston with profuse apologies, and that unfortunate victim of circumstances learned that he was out of the scrape better than his late traveling companion, who, with a broken leg and a broken arm, lay groaning on the ground near by.

He was also informed that the automobile, now a complete wreck, was not-and never had been-his property. He had purchased the vehicle not from Col. Bagley, but from that gentleman's chauffeur, who had stolen it. The thief got safely away with his booty, and was never heard from again, but that did not trouble Mr. Livingston.

"I got out of it cheap," he said, when his Wall street friends undertook to joke him about his escapade.

His experience on the highway small for him. "Now I'll take your only awakened a sleeping enthusiasm in the joys of auto-driving, and a few weeks later he purchased a new prefer to risk a chill! Very good. | machine of a better and more responsible make.-Woman's Home Companion.

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